drawing pay scales of their parent cadre with 10% Deputation allowance, NSG allowance, Ration Money allowance and Kit Maintenance allowance. The total emoluments of the NSG personnel were higher than the regular Forces personnel belonging to CRPF, BSF etc.

However, there were 22% vacancies in the NSG as on 1.4.2002. Tough training imparted to NSG Commandos was one of the reason for reluctance of other Forces personnel to join NSG. In order to make NSG more attractive to young and talented persons, the rates of NSG allowance have been revised to 25% of emoluments (excluding HRA and CCA) with effect from 11.10.2002.

Abrogation of Illegal Migrants (Detection by Tribunals) Act

184. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering a proposal to abrogate the Illegal Migrants (Detection by Tribunals) Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) whether the opinion of the Government of Assam has been/will be elicited before the proposed step is taken;

(d) whether the various national and State political parties will be consulted in the matter; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (e)The Government of Assam had recommended to the Government of India to repeal the Illegal Migrants (Determination by Tribunals) (IMDT) Act, 1983. However, before a decision could be taken by Government of India, one public interest litigation, challenging the constitutional validity of the IMDT Act, 1983 and another opposing the repeal of the IMDT Act, 1983 were filed before the hon'ble Supreme Court of India. Both the cases (PILs) have been clubbed and are pending for hearing before the Supreme Court of India. The matter is, therefore, subjudice.